

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

NORTHWOODS MIDDLE

Charleston

Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 709

Principal: Carol Beckmann-Bartlett Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley

Board Chair: Mr. Chris Fraser

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	At-Risk	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	R
2010	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	R
2009	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	R

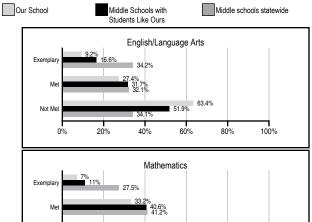
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

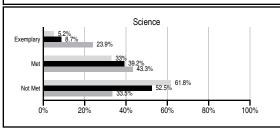
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	11	27	25

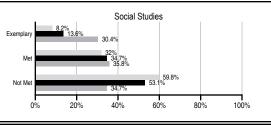
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

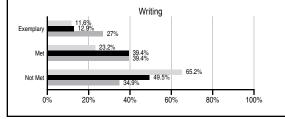
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NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

Percentages at	NAEP A	Acnievement L	.eveis.				
READING - GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina		28	45		25		2
Nation		25	43		29		3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced ■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced							
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)							
South Carolina	[30	38		25		7
Nation		28	39		26		8
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Proficient Advanced							
SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2009)							
South Carolina		45	32	2	22	1	
Nation		38	33		28	1	
% Below Basic							

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011						
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours				
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	88.0				
English 1	N/A	86.5				
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	36.8				
Physical Science	N/A	16.8				
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A				
All Subjects	100.0	87.4				

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

NORTHWOODS MIDDLE [Charleston]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=709)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	26.5%	Down from 56.0%	13.4%	24.5%
Retention rate	0.1%	Down from 0.3%	1.0%	0.7%
Attendance rate	93.8%	Up from 93.3%	95.3%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	6.6%	Down from 6.9%	5.6%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	11.7%	Down from 12.1%	11.2%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	2.1%	Down from 4.9%	3.2%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	11.0%	Down from 25.4%	0.3%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.4%	Up from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=45)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	46.7%	Down from 49.0%	58.9%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	57.8%	Up from 52.9%	65.8%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	68.4%	Down from 77.7%	77.3%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	97.1%	Down from 97.3%	95.4%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$39,826	Down 2.1%	\$43,817	\$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.8%	Down from 9.7%	5.9%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	6.0 days	Down from 14.9 days	10.6 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.8 to 1	Up from 21.4 to 1	18.1 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.8%	Up from 89.4%	89.2%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.2%	Down from 100.0%	98.0%	98.1%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,579	Down 14.3%	\$10,000	\$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	58.1%	Down from 64.2%	60.0%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.5%	No Change	55.7%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met	72.4%	Up from 55.2%	70.6%	80.5%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	41	153	69
Percent satisfied with learning environment	85.4%	66.4%	76.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	90.2%	69.2%	61.8%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	39.0%	85.0%	71.2%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Dear Stakeholders,

The 2010-2011 school year has been one of new beginnings and great successes for Northwoods Middle School. This year we had a smooth transition into our newly renovated building. The move to a larger facility where all three grade levels can be housed under one roof has been wonderful.

Our commitment to excellence was recognized by the district when our school underwent a School Quality Review in February. The team conducted classroom observations and also met with teachers, parents, students, and the administration during their visit. The team gave an overall rating of Applying to our school in reference to our implementation of the CCSD indicators of School Quality. It is our ambition that through the implementation of the suggestions for improvement made by the School Quality Review Team, that next year we will achieve the next and highest rating of Innovating.

This year we kicked off our new initiative to become a school of health, fitness, and leadership. Our teachers have participated in many hours of professional development designed to equip them with the tools necessary to implement this new program. Our principal, through district support, was able to secure funding for a state of the art action based learning experience lab. Throughout the year teachers have been able to schedule time to use the lab in addition to incorporating movement and brain breaks into their daily lessons. The response from our students to this new approach to learning has been overwhelming.

In addition to new initiatives, we have also strengthened programs that we implemented years ago. This year we added a lanyard system to our PBIS program. Each week grade level teams meet to determine the lanyard level of each student. With each lanyard level there are increased privileges and rewards for our students.

As a school we remain committed to the social and extracurricular development of our students. Our students this year continued to participate in CLASSY Ladies, ARMS, and the Journeymen leadership programs. This year each teacher made the commitment to either sponsor a club or provide after school tutorials. Some of the most popular clubs this year include: Double Dutch, Drama, Mile Stars, and Tennis. This spring our Student Council and Beta Club sponsored beautification projects around the school. In addition to our clubs and organizations, we have also enjoyed great successes during our football, basketball, cheerleading, and soccer seasons.

Northwoods continues to make decisions that we believe will promote our school to a "Met Standard" school within the next three years. We have great confidence that our students are capable of achieving high academic levels if provided with the tools and time necessary for success. We are committed to making our vision of student success a reality. Nighthawks SOAR!

Carol Beckmann-Bartlett, Principal Johnson, SIC Chairperson

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^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.